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Athletes Who Are (Allegedly) In The Illuminati

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Politicians and entertainers aren't the only ones with membership in the Illuminati. Who else is in the Illuminati? In the world of sports, these guys are all likely candidates. As major sports and business intersect more and more, it only makes sense that the most wealthy and powerful star athletes would become linked with the Dark Cabal that controls every aspect of our existence.

Not only that, but many athletes from the 20th century have ties to Freemasonry, the shadowy and powerful organization that helped to found America. Despite the secrecy that surrounds these groups, these athletes are publicly, almost brazenly, showcasing their involvement.
Here are 13 athletes from nearly every major sport who all have possible connections to secret societies.

Tiger Woods

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One of the most successful athletes of all time, Woods has been linked by many websites to the Illuminati. In particular, there are allegations that he's actually under the control of the government mind-control program MKULTRA.

This might explain his incredible success – as well as his equally stunning fall from grace.

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Manny Pacquiáo

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As this video makes clear, the boxing superstar was rumored to have fallen on the wrong side of the Illuminati because of a speech he made in 2012 opposing same-sex marriage and saying gay men should be “put to death.” Was this bizarre rant actually his way of breaking free of Illuminati control?

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Jack Dempsey

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A former heavyweight champion and universally regarded as one of the best fighters of the first half of the 20th century, Dempsey was also heavily involved in Freemasonry, which has links to the Illuminati. While many prominent figures have been Masons, few have achieved the athletic success or fame that Dempsey did. Interesting coincidence!

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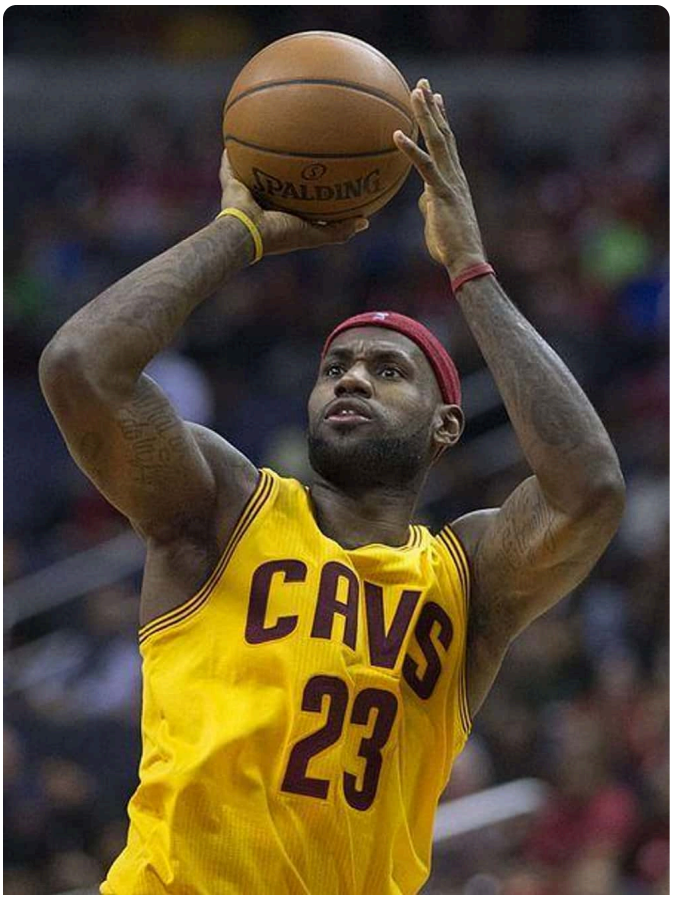
LeBron James



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The basketball superstar is an obvious candidate for Illuminati membership. He has a penchant for Illuminati-linked hand gestures, he's embraced the number 6 (linked to the Devil), he has a close friendship with rumored high-ranking Illuminatus Jay-Z, and has the words "CHOSEN ONE" tattooed on his back.

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3 Luka Dončić 697 VOTES

4 Anthon

Arnold Palmer

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The champion golfer is a 33rd degree Freemason, giving him the highest possible status in the shadowy organization. Not only that, he's successfully transitioned from golf to the business world, as well as lending his name to the tasty lemonade/ice tea drink so many of us enjoy. Could this be the preferred beverage of the Dark Cabal?

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John Elway

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The NFL quarterback legend is a lifetime member of his local Masonic lodge, and like Arnold Palmer, has done quite well with his ventures in the business world, while so many other former football players have lost the money they made while playing. Are Illuminati connections in play here? We're just asking questions, people.

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Kobe Bryant

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It's possible that the Illuminati have tasked Kobe with passing the torch of basketball superstardom to LeBron James. The Lakers star wears 24, which is a number that adds up to 6, and has the nickname "Black Mamba," with serpents symbolizing the evil of the Illuminati. Could he really be hiding his membership in plain sight, daring us to challenge him?

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3 Steve Nash 242 VOTES

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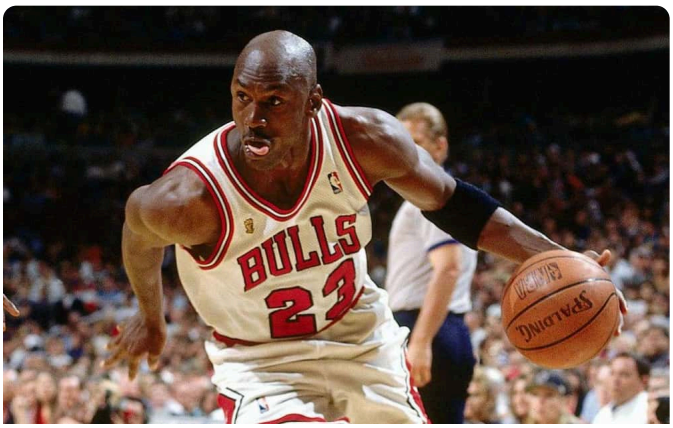
Michael Jordan



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The basketball superstar has never directly been accused of Illuminati membership. But there is a large amount of circumstantial evidence, including a number of conspiracy theories surrounding him. Particularly of interest is that he "retired" from basketball in 1994, only to return less than two years later. Was this a punishment from the Illuminati for some perceived transgression? And what's with the Hitler mustache?

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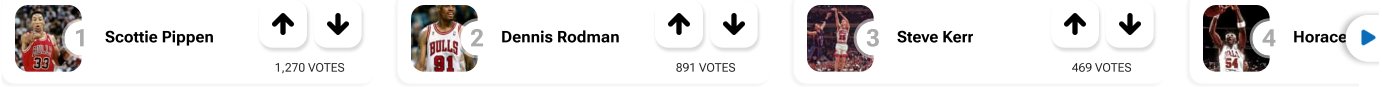
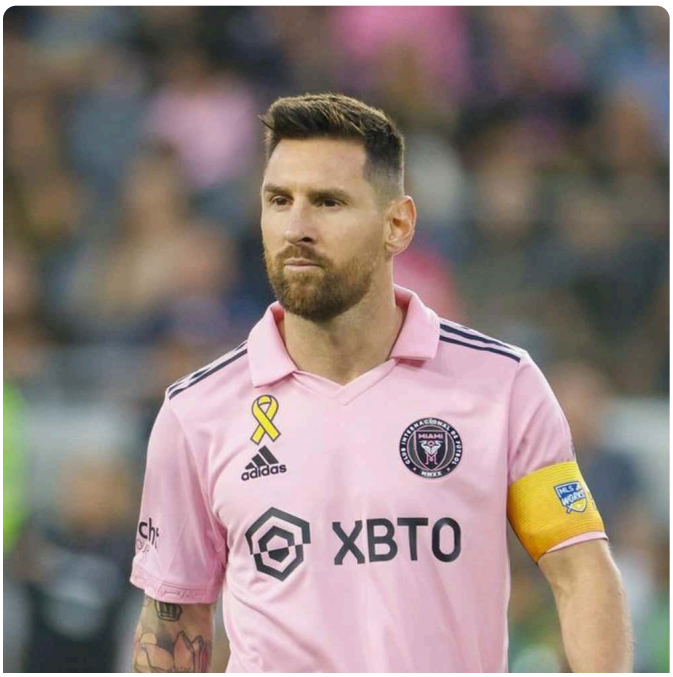


Lionel Messi



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The most well-known soccer player in the world is also rumored by many to either be a current member of the Illuminati or an enemy they can't seem to eliminate. Only a wizard of the Dark Cabal could kick a ball like this. Plus, there's his good looks, wealth, fame, and international acclaim. Classic Illuminati – allegedly.

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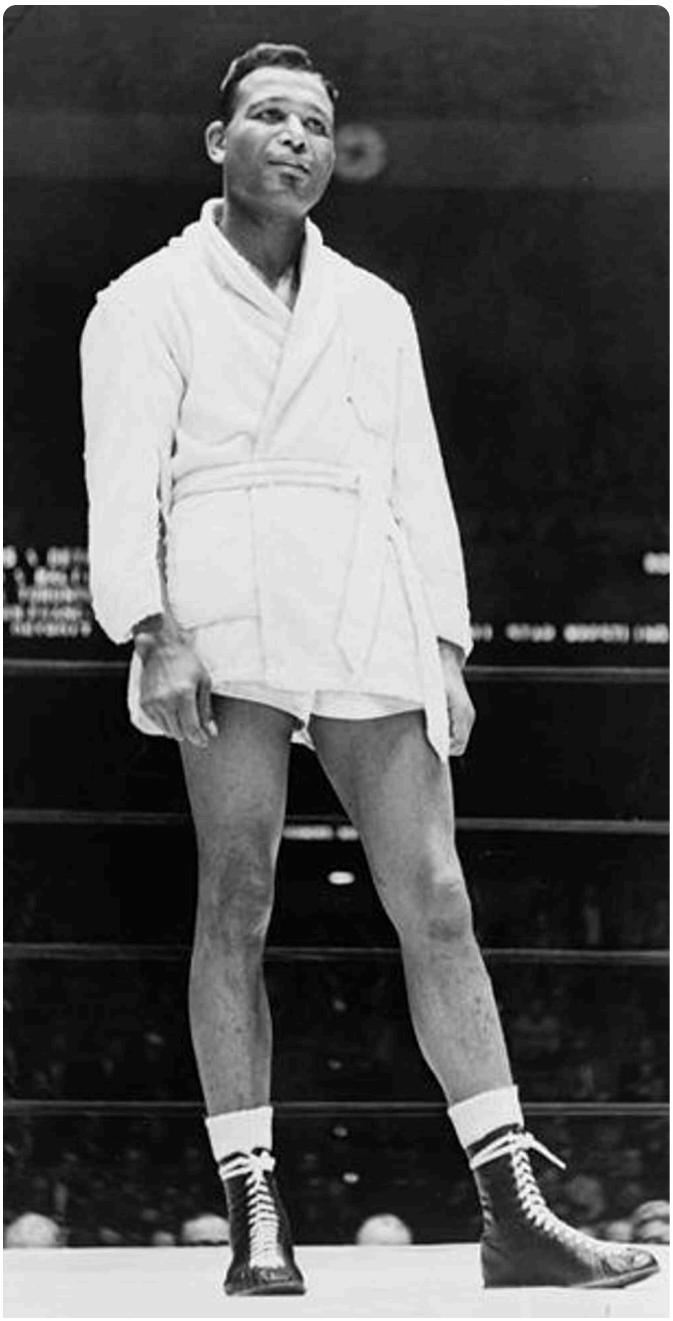
Sugar Ray Robinson



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Another superstar athlete linked with Freemasonry, Robinson achieved fame and glory as a boxer in the '40s and '50s. Unlike fellow Masons Palmer and Elway, however, Robinson struggled with his post-boxing business ventures. Did he cross the wrong power-broker in the Illuminati and pay the price for it?

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The Olympic champion marathon runner is satirically accused by this website of being an Illuminati member. But we all know that when someone says they aren't in cabal, it really means they ARE in the cabal. Nobody comes out and admits they're in a secret society, but using sarcasm on an obscure website to admit what can't be admitted? Stranger things have happened.

Kevin Durant

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Beyond numerous rumors, some satirical and some not, that the basketball star is an Illuminati member, Durant also recently signed with Jay-Z's new sports agency. Is this just a good business decision, or was it two Cabal members looking out for each other? We may never know.

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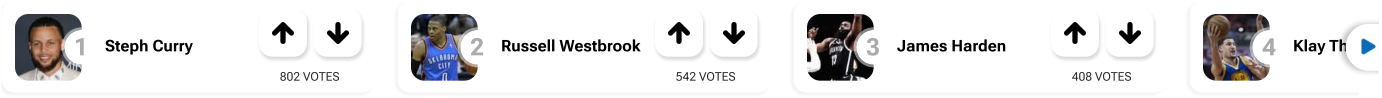

Victor Cruz

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The New York Giants wide receiver can clearly be seen in this video flashing the classic Illuminati diamond hand symbol. It's just like the Cabal to flaunt their power on national TV while thinking none of the sheeple at home know what they're doing.

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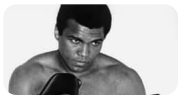

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- **Which athletes have been linked to Freemasonry and the Illuminati?** +
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